Hijacker of IC-814 arrested in Pakistan

2552. SHRIMATI VANGA GEETHA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that one of the hijackers of IC-814 has been arrested in Pakistan; and

(b) if so, the details of efforts being made to bring him into India?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI CHENNAMANENI VIDYA SAGAR RAO): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

Organisations receiving donations from foreign countries

†2553. SHRI P.K. MAHESHWARI: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the names of politicals, social, cultural organisations and parties received financial assistance or donation from the foreign based organisations and parties during the last five years;

(b) the year-wise details thereof; and

(c) whether the donation or assistance can be obtained from the other countries and organisations or parries to run the social and cultural activities?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI CHENNAMANENI VIDYA SAGAR RAO): (a) and (b) The details of the foreign contribution received by voluntary associations, including social and cultural ones, under the provisions of Foreign Contribution (Regulation) Act, 1976, are contained in the Annual Report on 'Receipt of Foreign Contribution by Voluntary Associations' brought out by the Ministry of Home Affairs (Foreigners Division). Copies of the annual report for the year 1991-92 to 1999-2000 have been placed in the Parliament Library.

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†Original notice of the Question was received in Hindi.

(c) Under the Foreign Contribution (Regulation) Act, 1976, an association having a definite cultural, economic, educational, religious or social programme can accept foreign contribution only after it registers itself with the Central Government or obtains its prior permission to receive foreign contribution. An organisation of a political nature, not being a political party, notified as such by the Central Government, cannot accept foreign contribution except with the prior permission of the Central Government.

Norms for display of photographs in Government Buildings

2554. SHRI VIJAY J. DARDA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether any norms have been laid down by Government about the display of photographs of National Leaders/Freedom Fighters in the Government buildings and in the rooms of the Ministers/Officers and other VIPs;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether it is a fact that the photographs of some of the top dignitaries failed to find space in the conference hall set up in memory of freedom fighter in Delhi; and

(d) if so, whether Government have enquired into the matter as to how the photographs of some of the top personalities are not displayed?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI I.D. SWAMI): (a) to (d) No instructions/ guidelines have been issued regarding display of portraits/ photographs of National Leaders/Freedom Fighters and other dignitaries. The matter has been left to the Heads of Departments to decide whether they should at all exhibit any portrait/photograph in the office premises/rooms and, if so, of which particular leader, ensuring that no controversy arises out of the display of any such portrait/photograph.